


REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In his Statement of Reasons for Allowance, the Examiner remarks, with respect to the withdrawal of the restriction requirement issued on April 11, 2007, that "claims 1-65 were searched in the international stage application and therefore any divisional of the present Application will be subject to Double Patenting issues" (Notice of Allowance, p. 2). Applicant believes there are no double patenting issues with respect to this application.

The Examiner further remarks that "the prior art does not anticipate nor render obviousness as to a first portion being radiated with a first plurality of beamlets having first melt areas and a second beamlet irradiating a portion having melt portions wherein the first and second areas are intermingled when they are resolidified." (*Id.*). Applicant respectfully submits that the prior art does not anticipate nor render obvious the inventions claimed in claims 1-65, rather than merely the bare feature cited by the Examiner.

Respectfully submitted,


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